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Encyclopedia Editor Recounts Stories On Eleanor Roosevelt

by James Giese

Dr. Maureen Hoffman Beasley enlightened the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club with stories and information about Eleanor Roosevelt on April 20. Beasley, along with her husband Henry R. Beasley, who was also present, and Holly C. Shulman produced the recently published *The Eleanor Roosevelt Encyclopedia*. The book contains some 250 entries about Roosevelt and her associates. Over 100 contributors provided articles. Greenbelter Dr. Virginia Walcott Beauchamp was one of the contributors, writing a brief article about Roosevelt's association with the greenbelt towns.

When first asked to do the encyclopedia, Beasley refused. Six months later she changed her mind and asked if the offer was still open. It was. "You don't get much money for doing an encyclopedia," she said, "nor much academic recognition." One factor that helped her decide to do it, she added, was that her husband had recently retired and agreed to help out by doing research.

Beasley wore a fur stole, reminiscent of those worn by Roosevelt, the wife of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Probably no other First Lady has had such a distinguished and important career of her own as she had. Beasley noted that, like Hillary Rodham Clinton, Roosevelt had been asked to run for the office of Senator from New York. She refused. Beasley thought that she could have won the office.

Recollections

"Did anyone have any recollections of Roosevelt?" Beasley asked the audience. A number of hands went up.

Ellie Ritchie recalled seeing Roosevelt when she visited her high school in Atlanta. Judy Goldstein, who worked for Harold Ickes in the Interior Department, remembered Roosevelt coming around the offices.

Janet Parker saw her at Wheaton Plaza and Parker's aunt shook her hand. Ruth Bond, when a teenager, remembered seeing her at the New York World's Fair. She remembers how fast Roosevelt walked.

Konrad Herling told how his dad, Al, knocked on doors with her in 1956 when she was campaigning for Adlai Stevenson. Herling had asked her how she could walk so fast and was answered, "Garlic, my dear, garlic."

Betty Allen told of how Roosevelt came to her college in Chicago. Instead of meeting with the president and faculty, she met with the student council, Allen recalled. Allen was on the student council.

Biography

Roosevelt was born in 1884 and died in 1962, Beasley said. Her life spanned a period of time from the Victorian era to the mid-20th Century. "Think of all the inventions that took place during that time," Beasley noted. Roosevelt was the niece of one president (Theodore Roosevelt) and wife of another, a distant cousin. She was the mother of six children. The reason she refused to run for the Senate, according to Beasley, is that some of her children were undertaking

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E. Roosevelt in Greenbelt

(The following are excerpts from the article by Greenbelt resident Virginia Walcott Beauchamp included in *The Eleanor Roosevelt Encyclopedia*, Greenwood Press, compiled by Maureen H. Beasley, Holly C. Shulman and Henry R. Beasley.)

GREENBELT TOWNS. Eleanor Roosevelt (ER) took a personal interest in the creation of controversial planned communities known as greenbelt towns. Although they were surrounded by unoccupied land, they were built near major cities to provide employment for residents. While twenty-five were planned, only three, built by the Resettlement Administration between 1935 and 1938, actually were constructed.

Both ER and President Franklin D. Roosevelt reviewed plans for Greenbelt, Maryland, outside Washington, D.C., the first of the three towns. ER made repeated trips to Greenbelt and also visited Greendale, near Milwaukee, a similar community. Although she never went to the third project, Green Hills, Ohio, near Cincinnati, she retained a lifelong commitment to the greenbelt concept. She was, said historian Joseph L. Arnold, "one of the most valuable defenders of the greenbelt town programs. . . ."

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PHOTO COURTESY OF GREENBELT MUSEUM

First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt is greeted by town manager Roy S. Braden at Greenbelt's first defense rally after Pearl Harbor. February 27, 1942, *The Greenbelt Cooperator*

GHI Board Opens Guest House for Members' Visitors

by Marat Moore

The beds are made, the cabinets are stocked with Fiesta Ware, and Greenbelt's first "guest house" is ready for visitors — just in time for the Labor Day Festival. Conceived of as a benefit for members of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), the guest house, located at 25A Parkway, grew from the commitment and hard work of the GHI board of directors.

"It came together with a true cooperative spirit," says GHI president Julia Eichhorst, noting that board members donated furnishings and scouted local antique dealers for good buys for the one-bedroom apartment. From the time the apartment became available to the open house on August 12 took less than two months, Eichhorst noted.

Hospitality meets history in the apartment's décor. Besides offering a spacious alternative to

hotels or the snug spaces of GHI homes, the guest house gives visitors a flavor of the post-Depression years when Greenbelt was born. Town mementos are featured throughout: the 60th anniversary book, the new history of Greenbelt by Cathy Knepper, Greenbelt mugs, as well as a blueprint of the boathouse that was envisioned years ago, before money fell short. Period furniture from the 1930s and 1940s gives warmth to the rooms, with an antique sideboard and dresser, and sets of checkers, dominoes, and playing cards.

"We also want to gather fiction of the period, and a Parcheesi set," said board member Sue Ready.

Although there is no TV, some concessions have been made to modernity. The telephone looks vintage — but in fact is touch-tone modern. Guests have a full

kitchen with a microwave oven and coffeemaker, and there's added storage space. With twin beds and a full-size futon, there's plenty of room for a family. Laundry facilities are available in the basement of the building.

Rental Terms
GHI's new



PHOTO BY MARAT MOORE

From left to right, GHI board members Betty Deitch, Sue Ready, and Julia Eichhorst pour lemonade for visitors at the Aug. 12 open house.

guest house will be available for rental to GHI members, tenants of the apartment complex, and GHI employees, who will sign the rental agreement on behalf of their guests. Reservations shall be made on a first-come, first-served basis. At the GHI board meeting which authorized the project, the rate was set at \$50 per night, with a three-night minimum. The weekly rate is \$300, for seven nights. A \$100 security deposit is required, and no smoking is allowed inside.

Reservations should be made at least two weeks — and no

more than a year — in advance, and a check for one-third of the rental amount is due when the reservation is made. The balance and the security deposit are due at check-in. Last-minute rentals may be honored, if space allows.

"We encourage people to call soon, since we're already getting requests. Also, watch for the announcement for our next open house," says Eichhorst.

For more information, or to make reservations, call Christine Gyemfi at 301-474-4161 ext. 147, or contact her by e-mail cgyemfi@greenbelthomes.net.

Council Votes Contribution To Jaeger Tract

At its regular city council meeting on Monday, August 13, council agreed to make a contribution toward acquiring the Jaeger Tract. Council agreed to give \$100,000, with five conditions attached: the property be within Greenbelt city limits, it be used as open space, it be contingent on the park service appraisal, there be a call on Friday for funds from other entities, and there be a reverter clause. The Jaeger Tract is located in Greenbelt Park on Kenilworth Avenue. (Details in a future issue.)

What Goes On

Monday, August 20

8 p.m., Council Work-session on Capital Projects, Priorities II, Municipal Bldg.

Tuesday, August 21

8 p.m., Council Work-session on Public Meeting on Overcrowding at ERHS, Municipal Bldg.

Wednesday, August 22

7 p.m., County redistricting meeting, Room 2027 County Administration Bldg., Upper Marlboro.

8 p.m., Council Work-session on Driveway Aprons Policy and Trails Map Plan, Community Center.

Thursday, August 23

6:15 p.m., Special Meeting of GHI Board of Directors, Hamilton Pl.



PHOTO BY MARAT MOORE

It looks antique, but this telephone in the new GHI guest house has touch-tone dialing.

Letters to the Editor

We Need Our Bank

As a new resident of Greenbelt, I am very upset over the Bank of America's decision to pull out of the Roosevelt Center. So many people depend on the branch bank – and many of us either cannot or prefer not to travel to Beltway Plaza, which is both less accessible and less safe than our branch. Regarding accessibility, what will happen to those residents who have disabilities, don't own cars, or are too frail to make the trip? I don't think bank officials considered the human cost of their decision.

It is ironic, and sad, that just as Greenbelt earned the designation as a Nationally Occurring Retirement Community – a community responsive to the needs of its aging residents – this financial corporation unilaterally decided to cut off one of the most vital services needed by Greenbelt's seniors.

I would like to know the level at which this decision was made, and what criteria must be met in order to keep a branch open. My husband and I just transferred our account to Bank of America from Riggs because of the wonderful convenience of the Greenbelt branch. But I wouldn't hesitate to close it in protest of this cold-hearted decision.

Marat Moore

Still Time To Reconsider

In helping with getting signatures to protest Bank of America's plan to close its Roosevelt Center branch in November, I talked with a lot of people. Most live or earn a living here. Many want a bank they can walk to. But a surprising number come from surrounding communities to shop, use the Post office, and, of course, do their banking. These nonresidents said they find it friendly here and they feel safe. This is a nice tribute to our center and is recognition of how special it is.

If Bank of America executives had stood there with me while people lined up to sign, and if they heard the expressions of shock, outrage, sadness, and confusion, I believe they would change their minds in a heartbeat.

Our letters, phone calls, faxes, and e-mails could make a difference. There is still time for Bank of America to reconsider.

Ruth Mathes

Questions Raised

In my view, the reported Bank of America branch closing boils down to two sets of questions:

1) What sorts of businesses

are viable in the Roosevelt Center? Why does nearly every enterprise there 'seem' to teeter on the edge of profitability at best? What can be done to sustain businesses we need, reduce redundancies, and to welcome new ones we could use? The likelihood of persuading a large corporate bank to retain an unprofitable branch after they've announced its closing is very, very slim. Such institutions are not ordinarily amenable to local political pressures. (Unfortunately, in this regard, it ain't like military bases!) Maybe they can be persuaded to leave the ATM machine to facilitate local deposits and fee-less or low-fee withdrawals. For those that need it, the Credit Union seems a good bet.

2) Secondly, when is the last time you went inside a bank branch? For many (most?) folks, direct deposit, ATMs and debit cards, and Web-based bill-paying services have all but removed the need for bank branches. I'm not trying to trivialize the branch closing, but let's not overstate its direct impact either. Probably the worst indirect effect will be the perception within the business community that the Roosevelt Center is not a commercially viable place. That is a consequence that could haunt us all, neighbors, consumers and existing enterprises alike.

Andy Carruthers

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political careers and she didn't want to hurt their careers.

In the 1920s Roosevelt overcame both shyness and depression. She had been extremely shy as a young person. The depression was brought about by the discovery that her husband was having an affair with another woman. She became one of the first women to be a broadcaster on the radio. She bought a private school at which she taught. (She had no formal education except for attending a woman's finishing school in England). She wrote an advice column, which was upbeat in nature. "If life gives you a lemon, make it lemonade," was the kind of advice she rendered. She also wrote a column, My Day, and went on the lecture circuit.

Roosevelt advocated causes to help the poor and was an early supporter of the civil rights movement. She proved that you could do more than be the wife of a president, Beasley commented. As delegate to the United Nations, she was the leading supporter of the Declaration of Human Rights, considered to be one of the most significant documents of humankind. For years, Roosevelt has ranked as the single most important woman in the world, Beasley said.

Although she was never universally liked, she did get a lot of favorable press. It wasn't so much for what Roosevelt said, according to Beasley, as for what she did, and where she went. She was particularly well known for her interest in the poor.

To illustrate this, Beasley showed a number of slides. One was a famous cartoon in the New Yorker in 1933 in which one coal miner deep in a mine says to another one, "My God, here comes Eleanor Roosevelt!" While she had not been in a coal mine then, she later did visit one.

Another slide showed a cartoon

in which Roosevelt is offering a lift to the forgotten woman. A picture of Roosevelt with her friend Lorena Hitchcock on summer vacation showed a very relaxed, happy woman. Another picture showed her and her secretary with an African-American family. This picture was widely circulated in the African-American press, giving her favorable publicity with that constituency.

One slide showed with lines on a map the extent of her travels between 1933 and 1940. The lines across this country looked like a spider web. She also frequently traveled in airplanes, which was unusual then, Beasley said, particularly for a woman traveling alone.

There was no presidential plane then; just a train, according to Beasley. Roosevelt was a good friend of Amelia Earhart.

Eleanor Roosevelt was the first woman to testify before Congress. She brought her knitting with her, Beasley said.

Themes

Beasley found three main themes in the Encyclopedia. First, Roosevelt knew everybody and corresponded with every-

body. She had a network of reformers and politicians with whom she was in contact. Second was her ability to communicate with the public – by personally meeting people and by her writing. The third theme was her concern for human rights, her looking forward to the future and working to better people's lives.

At first, Roosevelt traveled in order to get information for her husband. They worked closely together. He would tell her what to look for and she would recount what she saw.

In response to questions, Beasley commented on Roosevelt's childhood which she described as horrible. Her mother died when she was at an early age, and her father was an alcoholic. She lived with a grandmother who couldn't relate to her. Some believe that the reason she went to a finishing school in England was to get away from uncles who molested her. While her children lived somewhat dysfunctional lives (there were many divorces among them), Beasley noted that her grandchildren and great-grandchildren have led more normal lives.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING



GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, August 23, 2001

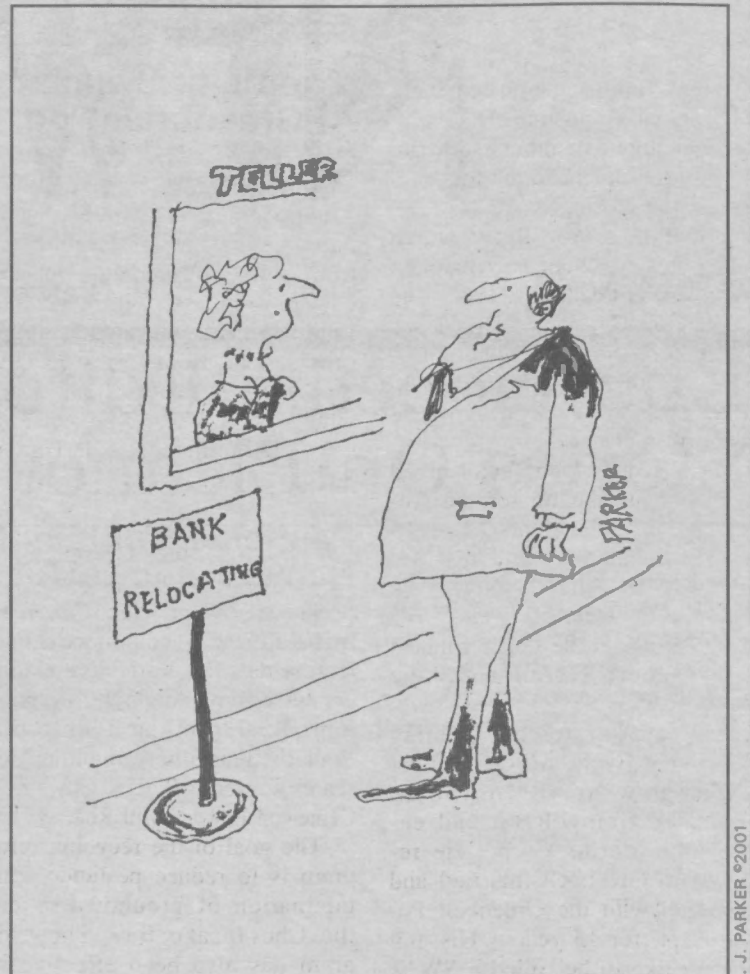
GHI Board Room

6:15 p.m.

Agenda Items

- Administration Building Contract - 2nd Reading
- Garage door replacements - 2nd Reading
- Removal of underground storage tanks - 2nd Reading
- Member request for exception - 4F Plateau Place
- Membership Applications

The Old Curmudgeon



"How does it feel being replaced by an automatic teller machine?"

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Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club NEEDS YOU!!

Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club is seeking volunteers to coach for cheerleading, football, and soccer.

If you are willing to assist, please contact:

Cheerleading Commissioner - Charlene Washington
Football Commissioner - James Green
Soccer Commissioner - Luella Ashurst

at the Boys and Girls Club Sports Line

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DEADLINES: Letters, articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center 15 Crescent Road during office hours. Mail subscriptions—\$32/year.

Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
 OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Golden Age Club
by Ruth Huggins

President Bill Souser presided over the August 8 meeting. President Souser announced Bank of America is closing in November and urged members to write their corporate headquarters and protest the closing.

Sunshine Chair Betty Down sent notes of cheer to Elizabeth Pels Nash and Charles Nash. She also announced James Down has again been hospitalized. On a lighter note she congratulated Nick and Vita Pergola on 58 years of marriage.

Travel Chair John Taylor urged members to sign up for the August 23 trip, the Sept. 14 to 15 trip to Ocean City and the December 6 to 7 trip to New York City.

The 50/50 raffle ticket winners were Robert Terrell and Jane Fendlay.

The speaker for the meeting was Barry Byers, MPO. Officer Byers grew up in Greenbelt, graduated from ERHS, and entered the Marine Corp. He returned to Greenbelt, married and has been with the Greenbelt Police Dept. for 13 years. His unit doesn't like to be called a SWAT Team; it is a Tactical team with a Crisis Negotiating Unit. His wife is also a member of the Tactical unit. During his presentation Byers showed pictures of their equipment. He is especially proud of their thermal camera.

The August 15 meeting was the birthday party.

Greenbelt Elementary PTA to Set Goals

Greenbelt Elementary School PTA will hold its first open PTA meeting for the year 2001-2002 on Wednesday, August 22. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. in the school's media center. Board members will be introduced and goals for the year outlined. The PTA is currently looking for volunteers to help with the Labor Day Festival Book Booth. Parents, guardians, teachers and interested people of the community are invited to attend. For more information, call Rebecca Roper, president, at 301-474-5382.

Used Books Needed

Bookcases getting overloaded? Now used books can be donated to Greenbelt Elementary School's PTA Labor Day Festival book booth. Just drop them off at a box in the Co-op supermarket. A large donation pickup can be arranged. Call 301-474-5382 for pickup or to volunteer to help.

Community Events

Moonlight Swim At Greenbriar Pool

Greenbriar/Glen Oaks adults 21 and over are invited to an Adult Moonlight Swim on Saturday, August 18 at Greenbriar from 8 p.m. to midnight. Hot and cold refreshments will be served. Entertainment will once again be provided by Kenny Holmes, the world's greatest one man band who plays a wide variety of music. For information, call Tina at 301-441-1096.

Pesticide Container Recycling at BARC

The Maryland Department of Agriculture has announced a collection day for pesticide containers on Friday, August 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Henry Wallace Beltsville Agriculture Research Center at Bldg. 302, Visitor's Center on Powder Mill Road.

The goal of the recycling program is to reduce pesticide contamination of groundwater and the Chesapeake Bay. The program has also been effective in reducing the landfill disposal of plastic pesticide containers and by allowing the plastic to be re-used. Since 1993, over 230,000 empty plastic pesticide containers have been collected, inspected and ground into recyclable flakes. For additional information, contact Rob Hofstetter, Pesticide Regulation Section, Maryland Department of Agriculture at 410-841-5710.

Registration Starts For Jump Rope

The Greenbelt City Stars are now registering new members for the 2002 competitive season of single and Double Dutch jump rope. There will be two open houses held on Saturdays, August 18 and 25 at Springhill Lake Recreation Center from 10 a.m. to noon. There is a fee to register.

Beginner participants ages 6 to 16 must have parent/guardian present to register. Experience is not necessary. Competitive season dates are September 10, 2001 to July 31, 2002.

For information call Kim Bradshaw at 301-503-6962.

At the Library

Tues., August 21, 7 p.m. Cliffhangers for ages 5 to 8.
Thurs., August 23, 10:15 a.m. Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5.

Child Safety Seminar On August 29

St. Hugh Council of the Knights of Columbus will hold a child safety seminar for parents, guardians, grandparents, and the public at 7 p.m. Wed., August 29, at St. Hugh's Church, 135 Crescent Road. Representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Greenbelt Police Department, and the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department will brief the audience and answer questions on Internet crimes, crime deterrence, and home fire safety.

For further information call Tom Trunk at 301-531-9738.

City Announces Fall Arts Classes

The fall sessions for visual and performing art classes are about to begin. All classes meet at the Greenbelt Community Center.

Among the classes offered are: Festival Fun, Drawing, Painting & Sculpture I and II, Puppetry I and II, Screen Printing, Jewelry (Clay) and Tiles, Homeschoolers' Theater Arts I and II will be offered.

Classes start September 17. For more information on registration, call Nicole DeWald at 301-397-2208, ext. 2232.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE
Week of August 17

Songcatcher (PG13)

Friday
*5:10, 7:30, 9:40

Saturday
*3:00, *5:10
7:30, 9:40

Sunday
*3:00, *5:10, 7:30

Monday - Thursday
7:30

*These shows @ \$4.00

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Starts Friday, August 24

The Sting 5:00
Cool Hand Luke 7:30
The Hustler 9:50

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www.pgtheatres.com

Nursery School Enrollment Opens

Greenbelt Nursery School is accepting enrollment applications for children ages 3 and 4. Extended care options are available from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, with pre-school slots open in five- and three-day classes.

A parent co-op founded in 1941 and licensed by the Maryland State Department of Education, the school has a child-to-staff ratio of six to one. Its programs support children's physical, social, and emotional growth. They foster the development of language arts and mathematical concepts through a variety of activities including cooking, nature studies, creative arts, and literature. All the programs put children's interests and experiences at the heart of the learning process. There is a spacious, private, secure outdoor play area.

For more information call the school at 301-474-5570 or visit them on-line at their website at www.greenbelt.com/GNSK.

Council to Appeal Greenbelt Station

At its August 13 meeting the Greenbelt City Council decided to file an appeal to the District Council of the decision of the Prince Georges County Planning Board on the conceptual site plan for the Greenbelt station. This proposed development is located near the Greenbelt Metro station.

Further details will be featured in a future issue.

City Notes

The week of August 6 the special details crew re-marked the crosswalk on Cherrywood Lane near the Giant and continued working to refurbish the Labor Day booths.

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For information, contact:
Dave Hunt
301-474-4775
www.greenbeltbaseball.org




ATTENTION GHI MEMBERS

Please join the Board of Directors and Staff for a

BUDGET WORKSHOP
on
Thursday, September 6, 2001
8:00 p.m.
GHI Board Room

Members are invited to provide feedback and input prior to development of the year 2002 budget. This is an opportunity to share your ideas and budgetary concerns with the Board of Directors.



City Council Meetings - August/September 2001

Meeting	Date	Time
Work Session - Capital Projects Priorities/Bond Referendum II	Mon. 8/20	8:00 p.m.
Work Session - Public Meeting on Overcrowding at ERHS	Tues. 8/21	8:00 p.m.
Work Session - Policy on Driveway Aprons & Trails Map Plan (CC)	Wed. 8/22	8:00 p.m.
Work Session - Work Session - Goals/City Manager	Mon. 8/27	8:00 p.m.
Meeting with Congressman Hoyer - Jaeger Tract Acquisition	Tues. 8/28	7:00 p.m.
Executive Session immediately following	Tues. 8/28	
Work Session - Beltway Plaza (Stakeholder Meeting) (CC)	Wed. 8/29	8:00 p.m.
Work Session - Springhill Lake (Stakeholder Meeting) (CC)	Wed. 9/5	8:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting	Mon. 9/10	8:00 p.m.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation, call 301-474-8000. Regular meetings and work sessions are open to the public. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 or 301-474-2046 (TDD) before 10 a.m. on the meeting day. Unless otherwise noted, meetings will be held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building at 25 Crescent Rd. Meetings marked "CC" will be held in the Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.



Our sympathy to Bill Dunn and family on the death of his brother Dennis.

Congratulations to:

Malinda Logan of Hanover Parkway, who will receive a bachelor of fine arts degree in acting from Ithaca College, with a minor in dancing, following completion of summer work.

Sarah Powell, who was recently accepted for its master's in real estate science program by Johns Hopkins University. Her concentration will be senior housing. Sarah is the mother of Kerry and Timmy Mulaney.

Lisa Neef, who received a bachelor of science degree from Valparaiso University. A physics major, Lisa was one of six students inducted into Sigma Pi Sigma, the national honorary physics society.

Family in Concert At Holy Cross

Jay and Jodi Marcum and their teen-aged children Samantha and Seth will present an hour of musical entertainment at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Wednesday, August 22 at 7:30 p.m.

Jay, who is a retired U.S. Navy Band member, plays saxophone and flute. His wife, Jodi, is an accomplished vocalist, was a music theater major, and has been a pianist since she was five. Samantha, 19, and Seth, 16, home school graduates, accompany with the synthesizer, guitar and bass guitar. They sing solo and four-part harmony with their parents.

The Marcums, previous members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, now live in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Their Christian music East Coast tour includes Illinois, Ohio, and Maryland. Performances include a mixture of styles, favorites recorded by other artists, and numbers the Marcums have written.

The concert will be followed by an ice cream social in the Fellowship Hall.

For additional information call 301-345-5111.

UMD Auditions Open to All

The University of Maryland Chorus will hold community member auditions August 24 to 26. The chorus will perform three concerts, including a Sept. 28 performance with the University of Maryland Symphony Orchestra. To schedule an audition call 301-405-5571.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church



College Park
4512 College Ave.

(Behind the Maryland Book Exchange)

301-861-8880

HOLY EUCHARIST

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Karla M. Woggon, Rector

THRIFT CORNER

Thursday, 9-2 & 7-8:30

First Saturday, 10-2

Brown - Berces

Former Greenbelter Carmen Marie Brown of Bowie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Brown of Greenbelt, and Neil Manual Berces, of Springfield, Va., son of Mr. and Mrs. Alejandro G. Berces of Springfield, were married on August 19, 2000 at Berwyn Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Renee Mackey officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride wore a Gloria Vanderbilt gown of satin Pena style. Mrs. Kendra Gatto, of Bowie, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Maid of honor was Zandra R. Brown of Greenbelt, sister of the bride.

Kara Berces, niece of the groom and Miranda Gatto, niece of the bride, were the flower girls. Anthony Gatto, nephew of the bride and Luke Berces, nephew of the groom, were the coin bearers. Austin Francisco, nephew of the groom, was the ring bearer. Keith Gatto, brother-in-law of the bride, and Dr. Vincent Figuera, friend of the couple, lighted the sanctuary with candles.

Christopher M. Berces, brother of the groom, was best man and Albert M. Berces was groomsman. Ushers were Albert Berces of Washington, D.C., Keith Gatto of Bowie, Dr. Vincent Figuera of LaPlata and Charles T. Fort, Jr., of Thomasville, N.C.

Immediately following the nuptial ceremony the couple hosted a dove release from the steps of the church. The couple first released two doves, then 12

more, to encircle the witnesses. The children of the bridal party released the final dove together.

The bride's parents gave a reception at the Bowie Elks Lodge. The couple's greeter was Mrs. Dianne Lehman, a friend of the bride's parents for 30 years.

Mrs. Berces was graduated from Bladensburg High School, Prince George's Community College, the University of Maryland, College Park and Bowie State University. She is currently a guidance counselor with the Prince George's County public schools. She also utilizes her skills as an artist, art educator, and art therapist.

Mr. Berces was graduated from West Springfield High School. He attended Prince George's Community College. He is employed as a surveyor's technician and systems operator by Loiederman-Soltesz and Associates and is an enthusiastic fisherman, woodcrafter and gardener.

The original honeymoon had to be cancelled. A trip to Hawaii has been planned.



Mr. and Mrs. Neil Berces

Obituaries

Dennis Michael Dunn

Former Greenbelter Dennis Michael Dunn (Denny), 59, died on July 27, 2001, in McKinney, Texas. He was known to his family and friends as Denny. Mr. Dunn was born in Baltimore, and the Dunn family moved to Greenbelt in 1951.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1961 to 1966. After he served his country in the military, Mr. Dunn worked and retired from the C & P Telephone Company.

He had a calling to become a volunteer fireman. He joined the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department at a young age. After many years of being a volunteer, he was elected to life membership status.

He is survived by his wife, Denise, and his son Michael, also of McKinney, Texas; sisters Frances, Lois, and Peggy, and a brother, Bill (of Greenbelt). His sister Marilyn preceded him in death.

There will be a memorial gathering held at the Philips-Kliener VFW Post 5627, 5051 Branchville Road, College Park, on August 26 at 2 p.m.

Alcohol/Drug Use Rapid Screening

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Because Greenbelt was located only twelve miles northeast of Washington, next to the federal agricultural research center that lay between Washington and Baltimore, ER took special notice of its construction. It started on 10 October, 1935, when a few men began clearing the site. On the following two days some 1,500 unemployed and mostly untrained men were sent out from Washington to work on the project, clearing trees from a swampy area and building a dam to create a lake. By the time actual roads were laid out, the whole area was a sea of mud.

ER visited the site a number of times, often accompanied by her friend Elinor Morgenthau, wife of Henry Morgenthau, secretary of the treasury, who ER hoped would support the project. For her first trip, logs were laid across the mud, forming a corduroy road that led to the spot where the first homes were being built. To enable her to view the scene, workmen constructed a platform for her in the limbs of a tree near the roadway. Similarly, she visited Greendale on 11 November, 1936, while it was under construction. In touring a home there, she commented that the coal bin had been placed next to the basement laundry tubs, persuading architects to change the plan.

At one of her press conferences she showed her continuing interest in the new towns by introducing a New York designer of inexpensive furniture for smaller homes. According to the Washington Daily News on 20 April 1937, ER said, "I think it is very significant that an expert of this type would be willing to come to Washington and devote her skill toward developing better standards for low-income families." Some of the furniture served more than one function: a sofa, i.e., could double as a single bed.

After the first residents, many of whom were federal government workers, moved into Greenbelt in 1937, ER went there often, usually visiting the school. "It was a shock," one teacher remembered, "when the door would open and she would appear with her secret service escorts." In a letter to Greenbelt residents on 5 January 1938, she congratulated them on their newly formed community newspaper. After WWII began, she returned to Greenbelt for a rally to raise money for war bonds.

Yet ER never spoke out against the racial segregation that marked Greenbelt, to which some 900 white families had moved by 1939. In her "My Day" column of 1 August 1947, one day before the town celebrated its tenth anniversary, she commended to the nation: "Anyone who is able to visit these towns should do so, and should carefully consider their planning and the consumer activities. ... By and large, I think they have been very successful."

Her legacy lives on in both Greenbelt and Greendale. In Greendale a restaurant, Eleanor's, was named for her, and her visit is commemorated on plaques. One reads: "First Lady Eleanor

Roosevelt, who had a high regard for the welfare of children and a great concern for impoverished people, visited Greendale in 1936. After clambering through one of the two-story homes, she stated Greendale was "absolutely wonderful and laid out beautifully."

In Greenbelt on 2 November 1968, the tree in which she stood on her first visit was dedicated in her name with a memorial plaque. In the 1970s when a new high school, under construction, was to be named for FDR, citizens petitioned to have it named instead for her. Today Eleanor Roosevelt High School, which emphasizes science and technology, is the largest in Maryland.

Budget Forum Set For Planning Board

The Prince George's County Planning Board of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission has scheduled two public forums to solicit comments on the Commission's budget for planning, parks and recreation for fiscal year 2003. The forum near Greenbelt will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 19 at the Parks and Recreation Administration Building, 6600 Kenilworth Avenue, Riverdale.

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Katy also loves to draw and paint. Over the years, she's given her parents, grandparents, and aunts pieces of her art that has become more sophisticated as she has developed her talent. They're treasured mementos in the family; some are framed and hanging in our homes.

Katy's a gifted musician, who taught herself how to play the piano and picks out songs by ear, even complex classical pieces. She started performing in dance recitals when she was six years old. Since then, Katy's danced, acted, and sang in many school and church productions. Most recently, she was a stunningly beautiful Charlotte in *Charlotte's Web*, produced by St. James Episcopal Church of Bowie. In May, Katy sang and danced in MADD's spring revue at Goddard Space Flight Center. She was the youngest, and to her family's eyes, the brightest star in the cast.

The first summer after we moved to Glenn Dale, a neighbor's brother, an old Navy salt, taught Katy how to swim. Even as a small child Katy was fearless in the water and took to swimming like the proverbial fish, laughing with delight while wide-eyed onlookers watched her heart-stopping first dives into the deep end. Katy went on to swim competitively for the Greenbelt Swim Club. When she won her first race, Katy gave the prize ribbon to her childhood friend and teacher, Uncle Ty.

Katy has been our daughter for almost sixteen years. Her birthday is September 29. Katy, if you're reading this, know that you're loved. Nothing can change that. Ever. We miss you very much and have spent many anxious hours searching for you and wondering where you are and how you're doing.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department.
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Assault

Buddy Attick Park, August 3, 8:05 p.m., a woman was walking her dog on the lake trail and walked by three persons, two boys and a woman. The female suspect allegedly began to yell at the victim and instructed the boys to throw rocks at the victim and her dog. The children refused, after which the female suspect then punched the victim in the face several times while the two boys punched and kicked her. The three then fled the area on foot. The victim suffered a small cut on her nose. The suspects are described as a black female, 25 to 30, 5'4", with a heavy build and short black hair, wearing shorts, flip-flops and a ripped black tee shirt, and two black boys, 9 to 10 years old, one with a thin build.

7800 block Emily's Way, August 5, 7:07 p.m., a woman was seated in her vehicle in front of her residence when she was approached by her ex-boyfriend. He pointed a black handgun at her. Someone with him pulled him away, and the woman fled the scene. In the process, she struck the suspect's vehicle with hers but was not injured. Investigation is continuing.

Indecent Exposure

7700 block Hanover Parkway, August 3, 9:56 a.m., a woman was landscaping in her condominium community when a naked man presented himself. He then fled. He is described as a white male, 40's, 5'10", 200 pounds, with black hair.

Burglary

Beltway Plaza, August 8, 10:32 a.m., someone broke into Beltway Florists and took money.

Trespassing

Beltway Plaza, August 8, time

unknown, a nonresident was arrested and charged with trespassing. He had refused a request by management to leave Beltway Plaza. After his arrest he was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

Theft

101 Centerway, August 9, 4:57 p.m., a wallet and car keys were taken from an unsecured locker at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center.

Bally's Total Fitness, August 9, 10:18 a.m., someone removed a wallet from a secured locker at the fitness club.

Handgun

6100 block Greenbelt Road, August 3, 12:15 a.m., a nonresident was arrested after an officer stopped his vehicle for a traffic violation and found a 9 mm semiautomatic handgun in the car.

Counterfeit

6042 Greenbelt Road, August 4, 10:45p.m., someone passed a counterfeit \$20 bill at Jeepers Indoor Playground

Drug Arrests

Five persons were arrested after their vehicles were stopped and found to possess marijuana and/or drug paraphernalia. One of the persons was a Greenbelt juvenile and three were Greenbelt adults, one of whom was driving a vehicle with stolen tags. The other arrestee was a nonresident.

Vandalism

5800 block Cherrywood Lane, August 4, 3:54 p.m., someone scratched graffiti on the front door of a residence.

7500 block Hanover Parkway, August 6, 6:45 a.m., someone broke two concrete planter pots.

6100 block Breezewood Court, August 6, 11:39 a.m., someone broke out the bedroom window of a residence.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: black 1990 Toyota Camry four-door, D.C. tags AL0312, August 4, from Beltway Plaza; a 1999 Chevrolet Malibu four-door, August 4, from the 9300 block of Edmonston Road; a 1997 Honda Accord four-door, August 4, from 7800 block of Hanover Parkway; a 1985 Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS two-door, August 5, from the 5800 block of Cherrywood Terrace; a blue 1988 Cadillac DeVille four-door, MD tags JHG667, August 6 from the 8000 block of Mandan Road; a silver 1998 Dodge Stratus four-door, MD tags GXT121, August 7, from the 9300 block of Edmonston Road; a gold 1989 Chevrolet Cavalier two-door, MD tags GCR704, August 7 from the 9100 block of Springhill Lane; a silver 1997 Kawasaki motorcycle, unknown Virginia tags, August 7 from the 7800 block of Mandan Road; a black 1984 Chevrolet El Camino, MD tags 1BJ663, August 8, from the 7300 block of Hanover Parkway.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 100 block Westway (two incidents); 5800 block Cherrywood Lane (two incidents); 7800 block Mandan Road; 6200 block Edmonston Terrace; 6100 block Cherrywood Lane; 11 court Ridge Road (two incidents); 200 court Lakeside Drive; Beltway Plaza; 6000 block Springhill Drive; 8000 block Lakecrest Drive; 7700 block Hanover Parkway; 7900 block Mandan Road (two incidents); area of Crescent Road and Parkway; 36 court Ridge Road; area of Greenbelt Road and Mandan Road, 6800 block Landon Court.

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. Citizens may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 301-507-6522. Victims of the theft of lawn ornaments, tools, lawn mowers, etc., should contact Criminal Investigations at 301-507-6530. Some items have been recovered and police would like to return them to owners.

Officer Parker Focuses on Middle School Issues

by Judy Bell

Faced with an increase in delinquent criminal activity in and around Greenbelt Middle School this past year, Officer Marty Parker of the Greenbelt Police became actively involved in community problems that involved middle school students. He identified a group of approximately 10 students responsible for a number of assaults, robberies and vandalisms in the Springhill Lake area. Through Parker's intervention, some of the group were charged with assault and placed into Maryland's juvenile justice system.

Parker began by calling parents of the youths involved. In addition, he reported that police "saturated the area," meaning Springhill Lake had "high police visibility." He sought and received cooperation from the middle school for a "no tolerance" policy on fighting. The youths were warned that they could be dismissed from school for their criminal activities. The message to the group after a few were charged with assault was

that the police meant business and would not tolerate such activity. Parker believes the situation is under control at this point and that this group is no longer active.

In addition to these intervention tactics, Parker has employed

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Corporal David Buerger

prevention strategies. He worked with Department of Juvenile Justice Probation Officer Mary Blair and conducted a jail tour with several students from Greenbelt Middle School. The program, entitled "Reasoned Straight," gave the students a realistic exposure to prison life. He plans on expanding the program next school

year.

In addition to running the DARE (Drug and Alcohol Resistance Education) Program at Greenbelt Elementary School, Parker has increased classroom presentations at each of his elementary schools. This year the DARE graduations included new rewards for the essay winners and finalists. In addition to essay winners being awarded new computers, each of the finalists was taken in a limousine to the ESPN Zone in Washington, DC.

Parker also serves as the Safety Patrol Coordinator at his schools. In an effort to show the police department's appreciation for the work the safety patrols do on a daily basis, Parker hosted the first annual safety patrol picnic at the Greenbelt Police Station. The students were fed and offered a tour of the facility.

In the words of Corporal David Buerger, "There is no other law enforcement program out there that reaches out to the community as much as we do."



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After 50 Years on Ridge Road Mikesells Say Farewell to All

by Eileen Farnham

Perhaps it was the other gardeners who knew it first, when Mr. Mikesell gave up working his garden plot. Time was taking its toll on our neighbors, 50-year Greenbelters Leonard and Ruby Mikesell at 49 Ridge Road. A chair lift had stretched their time here in their Greenbelt home, but no more could our valiant neighbor Mikesell dig us out after storms, as happened only six or so years ago when we were buried in sleet, piled up to the door and blocking us in. Not happy with no garden at all, he confined this year's effort to a row of five buckets and cages of big tomato plants neatly spaced along the edge of the yard.

Some of us saw the handwriting on the wall when we began hearing that sons out west wanted their parents nearby, near grandchildren, great-grandchildren, where family could help in bad weather and with doctor visits and grocery store trips. Last week two of the Mikesells' sons, from Idaho and Utah, arrived to put their parents on a plane to Salt Lake City and their possessions on a rental truck for a long drive to a new home. Against all odds, one of the very green tomatoes ripened in time to be eaten the day before they left.

Not only the neighbors would miss them. On a Sunday in the last weeks they were here, while the Mikesells were at church, some of the congregation slipped away and decorated their front door with a rainbow of paper balloons — "Goodbye," "Don't Forget Us," "We Won't Forget You," "We Love You," "Grandparents to the World." They were touched and proud and left the balloons up for as long as weather and the move allowed.

The Boys

We learned that when Keith, Wayne and Brian were boys here, 11 kids were in our court, a position held today only by Daniel and Mandy Dorsey. There were more across the street; today only Billy. We saw sons Keith and Wayne, who handled the move, decide they could not leave behind the fruit crates from the '40s that their mother had covered in fabric, with curtained fronts, for their comic books and baseball cards. Now the crates are painted white and a place was found for them on the truck — bound for grandchildren as relics of "grampa's" childhood. A last sweep through the attic (hoping for a comic book or baseball card "find," that, alas, didn't pan out) turned up a box of

dress patterns from the '40s ... now headed for the capable hands of a Mikesell granddaughter who is an interior decorator.

We heard stories about when Dad, a farm boy from the west, who married a Shenandoah Valley girl and stayed near her home, had hopes of switching from driving for D.C. Transit to managing a farm. First a job in Virginia for J. Willard Marriott didn't come through; then a different farm manager job was lost at the last moment, when the owner's brother decided he wanted the job.

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After the truck was loaded and

shut, this neighbor heard one of them, I don't know which, say softly, "Goodbye, house," to their boyhood home. And they were off.

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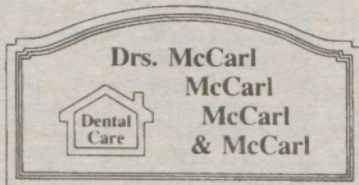
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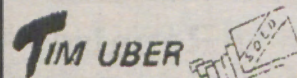
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Festival Notes

It is less than a month until the city's 47th Annual Labor Day Festival and the Committee is promising great weather this year – or at least keeping its fingers (and toes) crossed. In the meantime, Festival fundraising (which is a result of the inclement weather for the last two Festivals) continues.

Fundraising Activities

Bake sales are continuing outside of the Co-op and will be there for two more weekends. The next one is this Saturday, August 18, starting at 11 a.m. Proud to Be American T-shirts are still available – in all sizes. Raffle tickets for \$200 worth of Co-op groceries are currently being sold, as well as raffle tickets for three pair of tickets to Cal Ripken's last series at Camden Yards (the weekend of September 21). Gianni pizzas can be ordered starting this Saturday and will continue through the Festival. A raffle for a PartyLite candle holder will also begin this Saturday and orders for PartyLite items will be taken – this also continues through the Festival. Raffle tickets and T-shirts will be available on Friday afternoon outside of the Co-op. The above items can also be purchased by calling Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312.

Fundraising activities will continue all through the Festival and will be based out of the Information Booth. The baseball, grocery and candle raffle tickets and patriotic T-shirts will still be available for purchase – and a

character cake will be raffled off each day. Glow sticks and glow necklaces – always popular with the little ones as well as teenagers and adults – will be sold all weekend long. Orders for Gianni's pizzas will be taken, as well as orders for PartyLite candle items.

On Stage

The Festival stage (which is new this year and much more acoustically oriented and spacious) will be the setting for some of the area's finest entertainment. The Nighthawks will open up the entertainment for the Festival on Friday night with their world-renowned blues! On Saturday, the stage is the home for great kids entertainment (starting at 1 p.m.) with a return engagement from the ever-popular Joe Pipik and his Backpack Puppets, to be followed by the truly amazing, Amazing Lula. Don Bridges will follow with music for kids and adults alike – sure to result in fun for everyone. Norman Evans will then take over with his ever-popular original jazz tunes. The Saturday nighttime stage will host Wayne Brown & 2nd Conspiracy who will provide rockin' rock & roll – sure to get everyone moving! The Sunday stage entertainment begins at 1 p.m. with the wonderful, sit-back and relax sounds of 24U. John Hill, straight from up-north, returns with his easy-listening sounds and is bringing along a buddy to help him out (this is new this year). Ida Seibert then takes the stage with

her beautiful voice which will prepare Festival goers for the Miss Greenbelt finals. The pride of Baltimore, Pride, returns for a repeat performance to fill the last night of the Festival with great sounds. The Greenbelt Arts Center will be performing "A Midsummer Nights Dream" a la the '50s on Monday afternoon after the parade. Location of this performance is still to be determined.

Art Show

The Labor Day Art Shows take place at the Community Center and are sponsored by the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA). There are two shows: one for adults and one for children and teens. This is the 38th year for this popular event which gives Greenbelt artists of all ages and abilities the opportunity to acquaint the community with their work. Entries for the Art Show will be accepted on Friday, August 31, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Community Center. Fliers with complete information are available at the Community Center and the Greenbelt Library. Barbara Simon, Labor Day Art Show chair, can answer all questions and can be reached at 301-474-2192.

Photo Show

Entries for the Photo Show will be accepted also on Friday, August 31, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Community Center. Call Anne or Keith Zevallos at 301-345-9696 for additional information. It costs nothing to enter and recognition will be given to

winners in various categories.

Information Day

There are still a few spots for groups to participate in Information Day. This day provides them an opportunity to share their cause, mission, or product (no sales are permitted though) with Festival goers. Those who want to participate should contact Dave Pitts at 301-345-9605 for more information or application.

Talent Show

Call now to reserve a spot in the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Talent Show – the first audition/rehearsal is quickly approaching. The Talent Show is on Saturday, September 1, at 6 p.m. – the second audition/rehearsal is Tuesday, August 28 at 7 p.m. in Dining Hall #2 of the Community Center. Call Dennis Lewis at 301-552-9078 for more information. Parade

Parade Chairperson, Linda Ivy, is still accepting applications for this year's Labor Day parade – marching bands, majorettes, dancers, dogs, horses – groups of all types are invited to participate. Call Linda at 301-441-9414.

Shuttle Buses

The Festival will, once again, be offering shuttle bus service from various points in the city. Vans will run from satellite locations at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Greenbelt Elementary, and new this year, Green Ridge House. The back of the Festival pullout (which will be in the August 23 edition of the News Review) will have the shuttle sched-

ule.

Business Donations

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Volunteers

Individuals interested in being ticket sellers and volunteers in general are still needed to assist with this year's Festival – in all areas. This is a great opportunity for students in grades 7 through 12 who need community hours to fulfill that requirement. Volunteers (who are not students) are also more than welcome to come and help out. Call Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312 for more information. There will be a meeting for all volunteers and ticket sellers on Tuesday, August 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. The next meeting of the regular committee is this Tuesday, August 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Individuals interested in volunteering are also welcome at this meeting.

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The commission has created a website, <http://www.co.pg.md.us/redistricting/index.html>, to provide members of the public with information on the redistricting process and the ability to track proposals for redrawing the boundaries of the county's nine councilmanic districts. The commission has also established an email address for your convenience at Redistcomm@co.pg.md.us, for public inquiries, comments and suggestions. Commissioners and council staff will respond to email submissions.

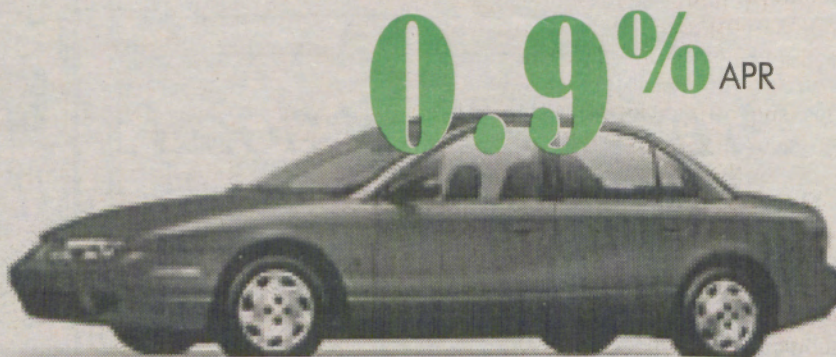
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